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## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

## PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits after a Request for Continued Examiner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in the above-identified application.

No fee or certification is required.

#### PART II: Information Cited

Applicants hereby make of record in the above-identified application the information listed below.

Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed copy of a translation of a Decision from the Chinese Patent Office, dated February 12, 2010, in corresponding Chinese Patent Application No. 20000480040159.0. The reference cited in the Decision was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 12, 2004.

#### PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

- 1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- 2. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Notwithstanding any statements by Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted, Frederick Wilkins, et al., *Applicants* 

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